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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	F. Tufaro et al.	Art Unit:	1635
Serial No.:	09/592,007	Examiner:	A. Wang
Filed:	June 12, 2000	Customer No.:	21559
Title:	Use of Viral Vectors and Charged Molecules for Gene Therapy		

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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the final Office Action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned case on February 26, 2003, applicants submit the following Remarks.

REMARKS

The previous rejection of claims 1-5, 7-10, 13, 15-22, and 24-27 over Hodgson et al. (Nature Biotechnology 14:339-342, 1996), in view of Dyer et al. (J. Virol. 71:191-198, 1997), Marasco et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,143,520), and Mislick et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,783,566) has been maintained.

The Office Action states that Hodgson was relied upon for teaching a method of transfecting cells using viral particles in combination with a charged compound, and for